

PATENT

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application

Malcom B. Strandberg

Serial No.

09/057,749

Filed

April 9, 1998

For

SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR PROVIDING AN AUTOMATIC TELEPHONE CALL BACK TO A TELEPHONE LINE BEING USED TO ACCESS A

COMPUTER NETWORK

Attorney's Docket

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Examiner

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### PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

#### Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 15, 2000, please amend the above-identified Patent Application as follows:

# In the claims:

Please amend claims 1 and 10 as follows:

1. (Twice Amended) A system for providing a telephone call

2 back to an inquiring party telephone connected to a telephone line

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CONTINUED PROSECUTION APPLICATION (CPA) REQUEST TRANSMITTAL

only for Continuation or Divisional applications under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(d))

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(CPA)) of prior application Serial No. 09/057,	uation or ☐ divisional under 37 C.F.R. 1.53 (d), (co.,749, filed on April 9, 1998, entitled: SYSTEM ANIK TO A TELEPHONE LINE BEING USED TO AC	D METHOD FOR PROVIDING
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01 FC:23IFILING QUALIFICATIONS ON THE prior application identified above must be a nonprovisional application that is either: (1) complete as defined by 37 C.F.R. § 1.51(b), or (2) the national stage of an international application in compliance with 35 U.S.C. 371. A Notice will be placed on a patent issuing from a CPA, except for reissues and designs, to the effect that the patent issued on a CPA and is subject to the twenty-year patent term provisions of 35 U.S.C. §154(a)(2). Therefore, the prior application of a CPA may have been filed before, on or after June 8, 1995.

C-I-P NOT PERMITTED: A continuation-in-part application cannot be filed as a CPA under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d), but must be filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b).

EXPRESS ABANDONMENT OF PRIOR APPLICATION: The filing of this CPA is a request to expressly abandon the prior application as of the filing date of the request for a CPA. 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b) must be used to file a continuation, divisional, or continuation-in-part of an application that is not to be abandoned.

ACCESS TO PRIOR APPLICATION: The filing of this CPA will be construed to include a waiver of confidentiality by the applicant under 35 U.S.C. 122 to the extent that any member of the public who is entitled under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.14 to access to, copies of, or information concerning, the prior application may be given similar access to, copies of, or similar information concerning, the other application or applications in the file jacket.

35 U.S.C. 120 STATEMENT: In a CPA, no reference to the prior application is needed in the first sentence of the specification and none should be submitted. If a sentence referencing the prior application is submitted, it will not be entered. A request for a CPA is the specific reference required by 35 U.S.C. 120 and to every application assigned the application number identified in such request, 37 C.F.R. § 1.78(a).

1.	Enter the unentered amendment previously filed on per Section 1.116.
2.	X A preliminary amendment is enclosed.
3.	This application is filed by fewer than all the inventors named in the prior application, 37 C.F.R. 1.53 (d)(4).  a.   Delete the following inventor(s) named in the prior nonprovisional application:
	b. The inventor(s) to be deleted are set forth on a separate sheet attached hereto.



4. X A new power of attorney or authorization of agent is enclosed.

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- 5. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) is enclosed:
  - a. X PTO-1449
  - b. X Copies of IDS Citations

#### SUBMIT IN DUPLICATE

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Total	13 - 20 =	0	x \$18.00 =	0.00
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6.	Small	entity	status:

- . X A small entity statement is enclosed, if (b) and (c) do not apply.
- b. A small entity statement was filed in the prior non-provisional application and such status is still proper and desired.
- . | Is no longer claimed.
- 7. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit overpayments or charge the following fees to Deposit Account No. 02-3285:
  - a. 
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  - c. Fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.18.
- 8. X A check in the amount of \$345.00 is enclosed.
- 10. a. 

  Receipt For Facsimile Transmitted CPA
  - b. X Return Receipt Postcard
- 11. X Other: Copy of the Assignment to Davox Corporation with Recordation Cover Sheet.

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